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## Fugue - of Other Rooms

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# fugue—of other rooms

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*english, soph.*

the silent man downstairs is playing his violin tonite  
such sad quiet musik, he does not hear  
the noise, the cars and people on the outside drown him out  
i have paid visits as many as proper  
and do not know his name

                  he never speaks  
          when the old world is enough  
                  enough to live from/  
on occasions i ask him questions  
but he only shakes his head and closes his eyes  
he does not hear; i have tried to leave at night  
there is so much more on the streets outside  
sidewalks frosted chocolate and lime  
the people dead as insects windows as flowers  
they stare at my clothes

                  these are the quiet hours  
          alone and dark, is it meant  
                  meant to remain on/  
from this, i always return home to my room  
the man downstairs still plays, his nights must be so long  
from what there seems, this is all  
the rest is so forced so hard and here i can cry  
lonely in kinship dark web stretched between  
he stops for a moment and i ask him to play more  
he does not hear;